GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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OVER UTILISATION OF AHMEDABAD- MUMBAI RAILWAY LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that the existing capacity of Ahmedabad- Mumbai railway line has been over utilized;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal with the Railways for augmentation of the capacity of this line by providing an additional track; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): Augmentation of the capacity of double line territories is done through Signalling solutions like provision of Automatic Signalling, splitting of block sections through provision of Intermediate block signals (IBS), etc and also by providing additional line.

The Ahmedabad-Mumbai route has been identified for Automatic Signalling out of which works have been commissioned on the entire route except for Dahanu Road-Udhna and Surat-Vadodara where works are in progress. Moreover the Western Corridor of the Dedicated Freight Corridor which is a sanctioned work will cater to freight traffic of this line also thereby generating sufficient capacity on the existing route.